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## RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Claim 128 is considered generic to "agents" and election of a patentably distinct species is requested. In response to the Communication mailed July 3, 2003, Applicants elect the species of "osteogenic compounds." Dependent claims 130-143 read on the elected species.

A Petition for One Month Extension of Time accompanies this Response to Species Election Requirement. Please apply any additional charges, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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Respectfully submitted,

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